

Amendment to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A holding device (4) for ice-cream cones ~~and made~~ of paper, cardboard, plastic or of a laminate ~~consisting of these materials~~ thereof, the holding device (4) including a holder part (6) with a circular opening (8) ~~which is adapted for receiving a cornet or a cone (2) with edible ice, e.g. soft ice,~~ **characterised in that** wherein the holding device (4) ~~is designed with~~ includes a projecting support member (10) at a side of the opening (8), the support member (10) ~~designed with~~ comprising a straight edge part (12) which is spaced apart from the opening (8) and ~~extends~~ extending perpendicularly relative to a ~~centre~~ center axis through the support member (10) and the opening (8).

2. (Currently Amended) ~~Holding~~ A holding device (14) according to claim 1, **characterised in that** ~~it is made double in such a way that it includes~~ including two uniform sides that are continuous and bent about the straight edge part, (12), ~~i.e. the holding device (14) includes two~~ including continuous support members (20, 22) and ~~two uniform holder parts (16, 18) with two circular openings (8) disposed opposite~~ each other.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~Holding device (4, 14)~~ A holding according to claim 1 or 2, **characterised in that** wherein the holder part (6; 16, 18) essentially is shaped as a ring which at one side is connected with ~~the~~ at least one of the support members ~~(10) or the support members (20, 22)~~.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~Holding~~ A holding device (4, 14) according to claim 1 or 2 and 3, **characterised in that** wherein the at least one support member (10) or support members (20, 22) are designed with includes side edges extending with a convex curving shape from opposed ends of the straight edge part (12) towards the annular holder part (6) or holder parts (16, 18).

5. (Currently Amended) ~~Holding~~ A holding device (26) according to claim 1, **characterised in that** wherein the support member (10) is designed with a number of includes holes (28) which are designed for accommodating and fixing an elongated item, e.g. ~~a disposable teaspoon of plastic~~ which is passed through both holes (28).

6. (Currently Amended) ~~Holding~~ A holding device (30) according to claim 1 and 2, **characterised in that** wherein a double-walled support member (10) is provided in a front sidewall ~~is provided with a holding flap (34) which is intended for~~ fixing an item that preferably ~~extends~~ extending transversely of the support member (10) at both sides of the holding flap (34).

7. (Currently Amended) ~~Holding A holding device (36) according to claim 1, characterised in that wherein the support member (10) is designed with includes a primary holding flap (38) which is designed including with a small secondary holding flap (40), the holding flaps (38, 40) adapted being for holding e.g. at least one or more pieces piece of candy or similar.~~

8. (Currently Amended) ~~Holding A holding device (42) according to claim 1, characterised in that comprising a support member (44) along a straight part (46) which is designed with an extension in the form of a bent wing part (48) which is designed with a central holding tongue (50) adapted to be fixed for fixing in a central holding slot (52) in the support member (44), so that an item, e.g. a piece of candy, a piece of chewing gum or a piece of chocolate, can be fixed between the support member (44) and the wing part (48).~~

9. (Currently Amended) ~~A method for applying the a holding device for ice-cream cones made of paper, cardboard, plastic or of a laminate thereof, the holding device including a holder part with a circular opening for receiving a cornet or a cone with edible ice, wherein the holding device includes a projecting support member at a side of the opening, the support member comprising a straight edge part which is spaced apart from the opening and extending perpendicularly relative to a center axis through the support member and the opening according to claim 1-4 in connection with a cornet or a cone (2) for edible ice or ice cream, e.g. soft ice, characterised by following method steps the method comprising:~~

~~[-] enveloping a cornet or cone (2) is enveloped by a napkin (24);~~

~~[-] the passing a holder part (6, 16, 18) of a holding device (4, 14) is passed up around the napkin (24) and secures securing the napkin it externally of the cornet or cone (2);~~

~~[-] filling ice-cream or soft ice is filled into the cornet or in the cone (2); and~~

~~[-] placing the filled cornet or the filled cone is preferably placed on a flat base supported by the support member (10, 20, 22) of the holding device (4, 14).~~

10. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 9, ~~characterised by the following additional method steps comprising:~~

~~[-] placing a piece of chocolate, a piece of candy and/or a towelette is placed in the double-support member (20, 22) in such a way so that the item in question projects outside the sides of the support members (20, 22).~~

11. (New) A holding according to claim 2 wherein the holder part is shaped as a ring which at one side is connected with at least one of the support members.

12. (New) A holding device according to claim 2 wherein the at least one support member includes side edges extending with a convex curving shape from opposed ends of the straight edge part towards the annular holder part or holder parts.

13. (New) A holding device according to claim 3 wherein the at least one support member includes side edges extending with a convex curving shape from opposed ends of the straight edge part towards the annular holder part or holder parts.

14. (New) A holding device according to claim 2, wherein a double-walled support member is provided in a front sidewall with a holding flap for fixing an item extending transversely of the support member at both sides of the holding flap.

15. (New) A method according to claim 9 wherein the holding device with a cornet or a cone for edible ice or ice cream, comprising:

enveloping a cornet or cone by a napkin;

passing a holder part of a holding device up around the napkin and securing the napkin externally of the cornet or cone;

filling ice-cream or soft ice into the cornet or in the cone; and

placing the filled cornet or the filled cone on a flat base supported by the support member of the holding device.

16. (New) A method according to claim 9 wherein the holding device comprises the holder part being shaped as a ring which at one side is connected with at least one of the support members.

17. (New) A method according to claim 9 wherein the at least one support member includes side edges extending with a convex curving shape from opposed ends of the straight edge part towards the annular holder part or holder parts.

18. (New) Method according to claim 15, comprising:
placing a piece of chocolate, a piece of candy and/or a towelette in the support member so that the item projects outside the sides of the support members.

19. (New) Method according to claim 16, comprising:
placing a piece of chocolate, a piece of candy and/or a towelette in the support member so that the item projects outside the sides of the support members.

20. (New) Method according to claim 17, comprising:
placing a piece of chocolate, a piece of candy and/or a towelette in the support member so that the item projects outside the sides of the support members.